NEW HAMPSHIRE DIVISION OF FAMILY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FACT SHEET

This fact sheet is intended to provide you with basic information concerning eligibility, income, and resource requirements for each of the following programs: Financial Assistance to Needy Families (FANF); the State Supplement Programs which include Old Age Assistance (OAA), Aid to the Permanently & Totally Disabled (APTD), and Aid to the Needy Blind (ANB); the Medical Assistance Program (MEDICAID); the Food Stamp Program: Nursing Facility Care; Child Support Services; Qualified Medicare Beneficiaries (QMB). Specified Low Income Beneficiaries (SLMB/SLMB135); Child Care: Healthy Kids Medical Coverage for Children; Medical Coverage for Pregnant Women; and Medicaid for Employed Adults with Disabilities (MEAD).

By policy, different types of income and resources are either counted or not counted to determine eligibility. This can vary from program to program to program. In addition, there are amounts that can be subtracted from income. These also vary by program and are shown below as "disregards and deductions." Examples of income are wages, rental income, and most benefit income including Social Security and SSI. Examples of resources are cash on hand, bank accounts, stocks/bonds, and unoccupied real property. Applicants must verify income, resources, disregards and deductions, identity, citizenship or alien status, social security numbers, residency, and all other eligibility factors required by the specific programs of assistance.

PROGRAM TITLE	FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO NEEDY FAMILIES (FANF)	STATE SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM (OAA, APTD, ANB)	MEDICAL ASSISTANCE (MEDICAID)	FOOD STAMP PROGRAM	NURSING FACILITY CARE
DESCRIPTION	Financial Assistance to Needy Families offers financial & medical assistance to eligible families with dependent children and certain relatives who need help caring for related children. Most able-bodied adults receiving financial assistance are expected to meet work participation requirements. One or both parents in the family must be disabled, deceased, unemployed, or absent from the home. Eligible families are automatically eligible for medical assistance.	The State Supplement program provides financial assistance to needy individuals who meet the definition of one of the following categories: 1. Old Age Assistance (OAA) - 65 years of age or older, or 2. Aid to the Permanently & Totally Disabled (APTD) - physically or mentally disabled and between the ages of 18 & 64, or 3. Aid to Needy Blind (ANB) - blind (no age limit) Eligibility depends on income, resources and living arrangement. Individuals eligible for State Supplement are also eligible for medical assistance.	The Medicaid program pays for certain health care costs (doctor and hospital bills, prescriptions, dental care for children, etc.) for individuals who meet the technical and categorical requirements of the Financial Assistance to Needy Families State Supplement programs, or MEAD. Children's coverage is called "Healthy Kids" (see other side). Adults and children with severe disabilities may also be eligible. If an individual meets all program requirements except is over the income limit, partial coverage can be provided under the In & Out program.	The Food Stamp program provides assistance to eligible families to purchase food items essential for good health. Eligibility for food stamps depends on the household's income, resources and expenses. Households must meet gross and net income limits. Households with a member who is elderly or disabled need only meet the net income test. Households with a member who is both elderly and disabled have higher gross income limits. If all members of the household receive SSI, Financial Assistance to Needy Families, and/or State Supplement, there are no income or resource limits. Most recipients must look for and keep a job. Able-bodied Adults Without Dependents (ABAWD) must also meet special ABAWD work requirements to receive more than 3 months of food stamps in a 36-month period.	The Medicaid program can cover the cost of nursing facility care for individuals who are unable to afford the cost. To receive payments for nursing facility care, an individual must: • meet the general, technical, categorical and financial requirements of a Medicaid program; and • have medical needs that require nursing facility care. Certain individuals meeting these requirements may be eligible to receive community-based services under one of several Home and Community-Based Care waivers instead of entering a nursing facility.
MONTHLY INCOME LIMITS	Group Size Max Net Income* 1 \$539 2 \$606 3 \$675 4 \$738 *Less, if living in subsidized housing	Group Size Net Income Limit 1 \$688 2 \$1,012 3 \$1,337 Applicants in Group Living Arrangements have higher income limits.	Group Size Net Income Limit 1 \$591 2 \$675 3 \$683 4 \$691	Group Max. Gross Max. Net Size Income (130%) Income (100%) 1 \$1,127 \$867 2 \$1,517 \$1,167 3 \$1,907 \$1,467 4 \$2,297 \$1,767	The individual's: gross monthly income must be less than \$2,022; or net income must be less than \$591. The individual's income, after expenses and deductions, is used to offset the cost of care, with the balance paid by Medicaid.
RESOURCE LIMITS	\$1,000 for applicants, and \$2,000 for recipients.	The resource limit for OAA, APTD and ANB financial assistance is \$1,500. Certain life insurance policies and burial funds are not counted.	One person - \$2,500 Two persons - \$4,000 Three or more - \$4,000 plus \$100 for each additional person in the assistance group above two.	Households in which at least one member is disabled or age 60 or older: - \$3,000 All other households: - \$2,000	The resource limit for nursing facility care is \$2,500.
DISREGARDS & DEDUCTIONS	 20% of earned income for applicants Child/Dependent Care Costs Court-Ordered Child/Spousal Support Self-Employment Expenses 	 \$13 standard disregard For working individuals: \$65 (APTD or OAA) or \$85 (ANB), and Impairment Related Work Expenses, and ½ of remaining earned income 	Deductions for Financial Assistance to Needy Families and the State Supplement programs also apply for most Medical Assistance programs.	 Shelter Utilities Paid Child Support Self-Employment Expenses Medical for seniors and disabled Standard household deduction 	When determining cost of care: • \$56 Personal Needs Allowance (\$90 VA) • Allocation to dependents • Uncovered Medical expenses
OTHER ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	Receipt of cash benefits through Financial Assistance to Needy Families is limited to 60 months over a lifetime. In most cases, parents must cooperate with Child Support Services in establishing paternity, if unknown, and establishing medical and financial child support. Some parents may also have to assign all rights to child support to DHHS while receiving financial assistance.	Applicant must apply for SSI, and must agree to a lien on all real estate owned by the assistance group. If living together, a spouse's income, resources, and needs are considered when determining eligibility.	SSI is not counted as income. Medicaid applicants and recipients must cooperate with the Office of Child Support to obtain and enforce legal orders for medical support and to establish paternity for all children if unknown.	Parents and children under age 22 living together are considered one household. Exceptions may be made if parents are over 60, disabled and receiving SSA/SSI, and for children aged 22 and older who purchase and prepare meals separately from their parents.	The nursing facility must be licensed and certified by the State of NH. If appropriate, the individual must apply for VA Aid and Attendance allowance benefits.

PROGRAM TITLE	CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES	CHILD CARE	HEALTHY KIDS FOR CHILDREN AND MEDICAL COVERAGE FOR PREGNANT WOMEN	QUALIFIED MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES (QMB)	MEDICAID FOR EMPLOYED ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES
DESCRIPTION	The Division of Child Support Services (DCSS) locates responsible parents, establishes paternity and support orders, reviews orders to see if they meet NH guidelines, and enforces child support orders. These services are provided regardless of whether the responsible parent lives in NH or out of state. DCSS collects, tracks, and disburses child support payments. Methods to collect child support include interception of tax refund checks, mandatory income withholding, interception of NH lottery prizes, and liens against property. DCSS can also report delinquent payers to a credit bureau, and can request that a licensing board or agency suspend, revoke, or deny a payer's license if he or she is not in compliance with a legal order for support. Passports may also be denied. In addition, DCSS provides services to families that are not receiving public assistance. DCSS will charge a \$25.00 annual fee to individuals who have never received public assistance, after the first \$500.00 in child support has been collected in a given year.	The child care program helps pay for child care needed for training, education or employment. Costs are reimbursed up to established maximums that differ based on gross income, the age of the child and whether the care is provided by a Licensed center or License-Exempt provider. Higher payments may be available to providers who care for disabled children. MAX. REIMBURSEMENT RATES (STEP 1) Contract & Licensed Child Care Center Children under 3: up to \$30.75/day for full-time care. up to \$4.96/hour for part-time care. Children 3 yrs. through 12 yrs: up to \$27.30/day for full-time care. up to \$4.40/hour of part-time care. License-Exempt Child Care Center Children under 3: up to \$25.60/day for full-time care. up to \$4.13/hour for part-time care. Children 3 yrs. through 12 yrs: up to \$22.10/day for full-time care. up to \$3.56/hour for part-time care.	Children up to age 19 with income no higher than 185% of the federal poverty income limits can get medical coverage under the Healthy Kids-Gold program. Infants under age 1 with income higher than 185% but no more than 300% of federal poverty income limits can also get Healthy Kids-Gold coverage. There is no premium for Healthy Kids-Gold coverage. Children age 1 up to age 19 with income higher than 185%, but no more than 300%, of federal poverty income limits, can get medical insurance under the Healthy Kids-Silver program. There is a monthly premium for this insurance, and these children cannot currently be covered under any other medical insurance nor have had coverage in the last 6 months. Medical coverage is available to pregnant women of any age whose income is no higher than 185% of the federal poverty income limit. Parents, children, or pregnant women already receiving services at certain community agencies, such as hospitals, well child or prenatal clinics, and WIC may apply there for Healthy Kids or medical coverage for pregnant women.	whose income is no more than 100% of the federal poverty level, may be eligible to have Medicare Part A and B premiums, deductibles and co-insurance costs paid. Some of these individuals may also be eligible for other programs, including Medicaid. SPECIFIED LOW-INCOME MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES (SLMB/SLMB135) Certain Medicare beneficiaries entitled to	Medicaid for Employed Adults with Disabilities (MEAD) provides medical coverage to disabled working adults. MEAD has higher income and resource limits than other Medicaid programs and allows eligible recipients to return to work or increase their earnings. Some individuals who are eligible for MEAD may be required to pay a health insurance premium. To be eligible for MEAD, an individual must: • be 18 through 64 years old; • be employed or self employed for pay; • earn at least federal minimum wage and contribute to FICA; • meet MEAD income and resource criteria noted below; • meet ANB or APTD medical criteria; or • have a documented medical impairment that is included in the Social Security Administration's Listing of Impairments and that is expected to last 48 months or longer; and • enroll in cost-free health insurance if their employer offers it. Individuals and couples with income less than 150% of the federal poverty level are not required to pay a premium. Premiums are reduced by the cost of other health insurance.
	None	Family Monthly Gross Income Size Limits (Step 3) ≥190% PG	Family Monthly Maximum Income Limits Size (% of Federal Poverty)	Monthly Income Limits (% of Federal Poverty)	Monthly Maximum Income Limits 450% of Federal Poverty
MONTHLY INCOME LIMITS		2 \$2,217 3 \$2,787 4 \$3,357 5 \$3,927 6 \$4,497	185% 300% 1 \$1,670 \$2,708 2 \$2,247 \$3,643 3 \$2,823 \$4,578 4 \$3,400 \$5,513	HH QMB SLMB120 SLMB135 Size ≤100% ≤120% ≤135% 1 \$903 \$1,083 \$1,219 2 \$1,215 \$1,457 \$1,640	One person \$4,062 Two or more persons \$5,464
RESOURCE LIMITS	None	None	None	One person \$4,000 Two or more persons \$6,000	One person \$24,991 Two or more persons \$37,487
DISREGARDS & DEDUCTIONS	N/A	N/A	 \$90 for each working individual Court-Ordered Child/Spousal Support Wage Garnishments Child/Dependent Care Costs 	\$65 of earned income ½ of remaining earned income \$20 standard deduction	 ANB, APTD, or OAA deduction Impairment Related Work Expenses ½ of remaining earned income Standard adult disregard Employability account/medical savings account
OTHER ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	Medicaid-only applicants/recipients and certain recipients of Financial Assistance to Needy Families must cooperate with DCSS as a condition of eligibility.	An individual does not have to receive public assistance to receive help with child care. Child care must be necessary so that the parents can attend job training, look for a job or go to school or work.	Once eligible, pregnant women receive coverage through the 60th day post partum regardless of income. Children born to mothers receiving medical coverage at the time of birth are automatically eligible for up to one year so long as they remain with the mother in NH and mother remains eligible.	nonfinancial requirements/conditions of eligibility for Medicaid, such as filing an application, obtaining a Social Security number, etc.	An applicant must also meet the general nonfinancial requirements/conditions of eligibility for Medicaid. SSI is not counted as income when determining MEAD eligibility, but is counted when determining the premium amount.